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SUBJECT: IAEA ADVISORY GROUP ON TRANSPORT ACCIDENTS AND RISK
ASSESSMENTS

REF: IAEA VIENNA A-378

1. MISSION HAS RECEIVED AGENCY LETTER NOTING ITS
PLANS TO CONVENE SUBJECT MEETING TO CONSIDER ANY

AVAILABLE DATA ON TRANSPORT ACCIDENTS AND ANY RISK
ASSESSMENTS PERFORMED IN MEMBER STATES, WITH A VIEW
TO MAKING A CRITICAL STUDY OF CONTINUING ADEQUACY OF
PACKAGE TEST REQUIREMENTS INCLUDED IN CURRENT VERSION
OF IAEA REGULATIONS FOR SAFE TRANSPORT OF RADIOACTIVE
MATERIALS (SAFETY SERIES NO. 6, 9173 REVISED EDITION).
IT IS ALSO ENVISAGED THAT SUBJECT GROUP COULD MAKE
RECOMMENDATIONS CONCERNING FUTURE PLANNING AND
CONDUCT OF THIS STUDY. MEETING WILL BE HELD IN
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2. AGENCY INVITES USG TO NOMINATE AN EXPERT TO
ATTEND MEETING AT AGENCY'S EXPENSE. EXPERT SHOULD

HAVE BROAD EXPERIENCE IN MATTERS CONNECTED WITH
TRANSPORT OF POTENTIALLY DANGEROUS GOODS, AND IN
PARTICULAR RADIOACTIVE MATERIALS AND SHOULD BE
FULLY CONVERSANT WITH DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION

OF INTERNATIONALLY ACCEPTED PACKAGE TEST REQUIREMENTS
FOR SAFE TRANSPORT OF RADIOACTIVE MATERIALS.

3. ALL MEMBER STATES AND SELECTED INTERNATIONAL
ORGANIZATIONS HAVE RECENTLY BEEN INVITED TO SEND TO
AGENCY ANY AVAILABLE INFORMATION ON PAST ACCIDENTS
DURING TRANSPORT OF RADIOACTIVE AND NON-RADIOACTIVE
MATERIALS, ON RISK ASSESSMENTS CONCERNING

THE TRANSPORT OF RADIOACTIVE MATERIALS, AND ON ANY
ANALYSES OF TRANSPORT ACCIDENTS THAT WOULD SUPPORT
NEED FOR A CRITICAL EXAMINATION OF EXISTING TEST
CRITERIA. AGENCY WOULD APPRECIATE IT IF NOMINATED
EXPERT COULD ALSO BRING TO SUBJECT MEETING ANY
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON THESE TOPICS THAT HAS NOT
BEEN ALREADY MADE AVAILABLE TO AGENCY.

4. AGENCY REQUESTS THAT NOMINATION OF EXPERT REACH
AGENCY NLT OCTOBER 28, 1977. OBSERVERS ARE ALSO
WELCOME TO ATTEND SUBJECT MEETING AT NO RPT NO
EXPENSE TO AGENCY NAMES OF OBSERVERS SHOULD ALSO

REACH AGENCY NLT OCTOBER 28, 1977. COPY OF
AGENCY LETTER POUCHED MCCLARY/ERDA. PLEASE ADVISE. LABOWITZ

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